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Mr. Leester Snow, Executive Director
CALFED Bay-Delta Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Mr. Rick Breitenbach

Dear Mr. Snow:

Enclosed are the San Diego County Water Authority's comments on the draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (PEIS/R) for the CALFED Bay-Delta Program (Program). The Authority fully supports CALFED's efforts to identify a comprehensive long-term Bay-Delta solution and commends CALFED on its efforts to include all stakeholders in the planning process. I hope you find the Authority's comments helpful in the further development of the CALFED Program and in preparation of the Revised Draft PEIR/S.

In recognition of the size and scope of the Draft PEIS/R, and the breadth of scientific data contained in the document, Authority staff limited their review of the Draft PEIS/R to those sections of specific concern to Southern California and the San Diego region. Those sections are the Water Use Efficiency, Water Transfer and Water Quality Programs and the Implementation Strategy. Authority staff participated in the development of broader comment letters from the Agricultural and Urban Water Caucuses and California Urban Water Agencies (CUWA).

Also enclosed for your information are policy principles adopted by the Authority Board on the preferred alternative, water use efficiency and water transfers. If you have any questions regarding the enclosed comments, please contact Gordon Hess at (619) 682-4155 or Julie MacLay at (619) 682-4123.

Sincerely,

Maureen A. Stapleton
General Manager

Enclosures

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